(c) whether the penalty of Rs 5 lakhs imposed by RBI on the above bank has been debited in its profit and loss account, if so, the reasons of such violation of administrative norms?;

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that Allahabad Bank failed to ensure fully the end-use of bridge loan sanctioned to M.S. Shoes East Ltd. (MSEL). Allahabad Bank therefore, became liable to be proceeded against under Section 47-A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 for violating RBI guidelines with regard to ensuring end-use of bridge loan proceeds. RBI imposed a penalty of Rs. five lakhs on Allahabad Bank, which has been paid. Allahabad Bank was also asked to fix staff accountability for the lapses. The bank has initiated disciplinary proceedings against an officer for not ensuring the end-use of funds.

(c) Allahabad Bank has reported that the penalty of Rs. five lakhs was paid by it by debit to Charges Account (Miscellaneous) and that this was done in terms of the accounting principles.

Ahmedabad Airport as International Airport

*191. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that with the declaration of Ahmedabad Airport as international airport, there is a need for a separate domestic airport in order to cope with domestic rush of passengers;

(b) whether it came to the notice of Government that Gandhinagar, the capital of Gujarat, has no airport/railway station which is against the policy of Government whereby every State capital is required to be connected by air and railway traffic; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to provide a domestic airport at Gandhinagar?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) Ahmedabad airport has not been declared as an International airport. However, the existing terminal buildings and other infrastructure cater to both domestic and international flights.

(b) Gandhinagar, the capital of Gujarat, is located at a distance of 14 kms. from Ahmedabad airport, and is well connected by air to the rest of the country. There is also a Railway Station at Gandhinagar which is open for passenger traffic.

(c) No, Sir.

देश में एड्स के रोगी

*192. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रत्येक वर्ष, राज्यवार कितने एड्स रोगियों का पता चला है;

(ख) इस समय देश के अस्पतालों में कितने एड्स रोगियों का उपचार चल रहा है;

(ग) इनमें से पुरुष और महिला रोगियों की संख्या कितनी-कितनी है;

(घ) क्या उक्त वर्षों के दौरान, गुजरात में भी एड्स के रोगियों का पता चला है; और

(ङ) सरकार ने इस रोग से पीड़ित व्यक्तियों के उपचार के लिए अस्पतालों में क्या व्यवस्था की है?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय के राज्यमंत्री (श्री सलीम इकबाल शेरवानी): (क) एक विवरण सदन के पटल पर रखा गया है। **(नीचे देखिए)**।

(ख) और (ग) तकरीबन 1458 एड्स रोगियों (1089 पुरुष और 369 महिला) के अस्पतालों में उपचार प्राप्त किए जाने की सूचना है।

(घ) जी, हां।

(ङ) एड्स रोगियों का भेदभाव रहित उपचार करने के लिए प्रत्येक शहरी स्वास्थ्य परिचर्या केन्द्र के कम से कम एक चिकित्सा अधिकारी को प्रशिक्षण दिया गया है।